- every [4] 6 years [beginning with the 4-year anniversary of the date that the program became effective and every 4 years after that date] IN COORDINATION WITH THE REVIEW OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION AS REQUIRED UNDER ARTICLE 66B, §§ 1.03(B) AND 2.05(B) OF THE CODE. Each local jurisdiction shall send in writing to the Commission, within 60 days after [each 4-year anniversary,] THE COMPLETION OF ITS REVIEW, the following information:
- (1) A statement certifying that the required review has been accomplished;
- (2) Any necessary requests for program amendments, program refinements, or other matters that the local jurisdiction wishes the Commission to consider;
  - (3) An updated resource inventory; and
- (4) A statement quantifying acreages within each land classification, the growth allocation used, and the growth allocation remaining.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to apply only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to any variance application for which a petition for judicial review of a decision to grant or deny a variance under a local critical area program was filed before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2002.

SECTION 2. 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted shall take effect June 1, 2002.

May 16, 2002.

## CHAPTER 432

(House Bill 528)

AN ACT concerning

## Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Protection Program

FOR the purpose of altering the requirements for local critical area programs to include certain variance provisions; prohibiting a variance from being granted unless certain conditions are met; requiring a local jurisdiction, in considering an application for a variance, to consider reasonable use of the entire parcel or lot for which the variance is requested; providing that certain provisions of this Act do not apply to certain permits or activities which comply with certain buffer